

Daily Survey: Free Speech

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1. Americans Free to Express views

Do you think Americans are generally free to express their views?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	64%	61%	67%	62%	61%	68%	61%	65%	52%	69%	63%
No	26%	30%	23%	17%	28%	26%	32%	27%	26%	17%	31%
Not sure	10%	9%	11%	21%	11%	5%	6%	8%	22%	13%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(995)	(456)	(539)	(156)	(178)	(405)	(256)	(719)	(129)	(74)	(73)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	64%	83%	54%	59%	85%	52%	58%	71%	71%	64%	61%	61%	71%
No	26%	10%	33%	33%	11%	43%	30%	25%	21%	28%	27%	26%	24%
Not sure	10%	7%	13%	7%	5%	6%	13%	4%	8%	8%	12%	13%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(995)	(314)	(438)	(243)	(379)	(338)	(410)	(253)	(184)	(198)	(222)	(374)	(201)

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2. Freedom of speech does not mean freedom from consequences of that speech

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	70%	71%	69%	56%	62%	75%	81%	73%	67%	48%	76%
Disagree	14%	15%	14%	18%	19%	12%	10%	13%	6%	32%	13%
Not sure	16%	14%	18%	25%	19%	13%	9%	14%	27%	20%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(997)	(458)	(539)	(160)	(176)	(405)	(256)	(720)	(130)	(73)	(74)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	70%	85%	65%	60%	87%	65%	64%	76%	78%	71%	67%	68%	74%
Disagree	14%	5%	16%	23%	5%	20%	15%	11%	15%	17%	15%	12%	16%
Not sure	16%	9%	20%	17%	8%	15%	22%	13%	7%	12%	18%	20%	10%
Totals	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(997)	(316)	(437)	(244)	(380)	(338)	(410)	(255)	(185)	(199)	(222)	(375)	(201)

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3. The truth is most likely to emerge when ideas can compete in unregulated public discourse

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	52%	58%	46%	34%	54%	53%	62%	55%	41%	44%	53%
Disagree	14%	16%	12%	19%	10%	15%	11%	12%	14%	23%	15%
Not sure	35%	27%	42%	47%	36%	32%	27%	33%	45%	33%	32%
Totals	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(989)	(454)	(535)	(155)	(175)	(404)	(255)	(715)	(129)	(72)	(73)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	52%	48%	49%	61%	46%	69%	43%	54%	65%	57%	44%	48%	61%
Disagree	14%	17%	12%	12%	20%	8%	14%	18%	13%	14%	12%	17%	10%
Not sure	35%	34%	38%	27%	34%	23%	43%	28%	22%	29%	44%	35%	29%
Totals	101%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(989)	(313)	(435)	(241)	(378)	(336)	(408)	(253)	(184)	(198)	(220)	(372)	(199)

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4. The biggest threat to free speech is the government

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	45%	45%	46%	44%	41%	48%	47%	46%	42%	55%	32%
Disagree	32%	34%	31%	18%	31%	35%	40%	35%	22%	15%	49%
Not sure	23%	21%	24%	38%	28%	17%	12%	19%	35%	31%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(980)	(449)	(531)	(150)	(173)	(402)	(255)	(712)	(126)	(71)	(71)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	45%	28%	44%	69%	26%	68%	47%	44%	44%	45%	46%	48%	41%
Disagree	32%	52%	27%	18%	55%	17%	27%	34%	40%	36%	30%	27%	39%
Not sure	23%	19%	29%	13%	19%	15%	26%	22%	17%	19%	24%	26%	20%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(980)	(312)	(429)	(239)	(377)	(333)	(405)	(251)	(183)	(197)	(218)	(366)	(199)

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5. The norms of socially acceptable speech are changing too quickly to keep up with

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	52%	54%	49%	38%	43%	61%	58%	55%	45%	48%	37%
Disagree	26%	29%	24%	28%	31%	23%	25%	25%	22%	27%	41%
Not sure	22%	17%	27%	34%	26%	16%	17%	20%	33%	26%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(452)	(527)	(150)	(171)	(405)	(253)	(710)	(127)	(70)	(72)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	52%	41%	50%	68%	41%	70%	46%	54%	56%	56%	53%	52%	46%
Disagree	26%	38%	24%	15%	40%	17%	25%	30%	31%	26%	22%	22%	36%
Not sure	22%	20%	26%	17%	19%	12%	29%	17%	13%	17%	25%	25%	19%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(979)	(312)	(429)	(238)	(377)	(333)	(407)	(251)	(182)	(196)	(215)	(369)	(199)

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6. Sometimes limiting the speech of a small number of people expands freedom of speech for people overall

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	28%	27%	29%	38%	38%	20%	21%	26%	36%	33%	31%
Disagree	46%	49%	43%	30%	34%	55%	58%	49%	32%	48%	39%
Not sure	26%	24%	28%	32%	28%	24%	21%	25%	32%	18%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(979)	(450)	(529)	(150)	(172)	(402)	(255)	(710)	(127)	(70)	(72)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	28%	40%	23%	24%	36%	16%	30%	26%	32%	26%	28%	24%	36%
Disagree	46%	33%	49%	57%	36%	67%	38%	57%	48%	49%	45%	48%	41%
Not sure	26%	27%	28%	19%	27%	17%	31%	18%	19%	25%	27%	28%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(312)	(428)	(239)	(379)	(334)	(406)	(249)	(182)	(197)	(215)	(367)	(200)

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7. I often worry that a view I express will be misinterpreted in a negative way

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	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	49%	50%	49%	49%	39%	58%	48%	51%	42%	44%	51%
Disagree	32%	32%	31%	18%	37%	31%	38%	33%	28%	30%	31%
Not sure	19%	17%	20%	32%	23%	12%	14%	16%	30%	26%	17%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(982)	(454)	(528)	(150)	(172)	(405)	(255)	(712)	(127)	(71)	(72)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	49%	43%	49%	58%	42%	61%	48%	52%	56%	52%	45%	48%	54%
Disagree	32%	46%	27%	25%	46%	25%	30%	33%	32%	32%	34%	29%	34%
Not sure	19%	11%	25%	17%	13%	14%	22%	15%	12%	16%	21%	23%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(982)	(310)	(431)	(241)	(378)	(336)	(407)	(250)	(182)	(197)	(215)	(369)	(201)

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8. Part of exercising free speech is having to deal with people who disagree with you

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	84%	82%	85%	65%	75%	91%	97%	86%	70%	81%	85%
Disagree	6%	9%	3%	10%	11%	3%	2%	6%	8%	4%	6%
Not sure	10%	10%	11%	25%	13%	6%	1%	8%	22%	15%	9%
Totals	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(981)	(454)	(527)	(150)	(172)	(405)	(254)	(712)	(126)	(71)	(72)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	84%	89%	77%	90%	91%	91%	79%	91%	84%	88%	83%	81%	85%
Disagree	6%	5%	8%	3%	3%	4%	6%	4%	9%	6%	6%	4%	8%
Not sure	10%	6%	15%	7%	6%	6%	15%	5%	6%	5%	11%	15%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(981)	(311)	(430)	(240)	(377)	(336)	(404)	(251)	(183)	(196)	(216)	(369)	(200)

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9. People who test the limits of free speech by sharing controversial views I disagree with are making a positive contribution to society

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	41%	46%	37%	38%	46%	40%	41%	44%	30%	46%	30%
Disagree	22%	21%	23%	23%	19%	25%	22%	20%	27%	28%	26%
Not sure	36%	32%	40%	39%	35%	35%	38%	36%	43%	26%	44%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(452)	(527)	(151)	(170)	(403)	(255)	(710)	(125)	(71)	(73)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	41%	33%	40%	54%	29%	56%	38%	39%	51%	49%	41%	35%	45%
Disagree	22%	30%	19%	18%	31%	15%	24%	24%	22%	18%	21%	26%	21%
Not sure	36%	37%	41%	28%	40%	29%	38%	38%	27%	33%	38%	39%	34%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(310)	(428)	(241)	(376)	(336)	(404)	(249)	(183)	(197)	(216)	(365)	(201)

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10. What matters is the intent of the person speaking, not how what they say is understood

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	40%	43%	37%	39%	40%	41%	39%	40%	38%	40%	39%
Disagree	31%	31%	31%	17%	28%	35%	39%	31%	30%	26%	39%
Not sure	29%	26%	32%	43%	32%	24%	22%	29%	32%	34%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(979)	(452)	(527)	(149)	(173)	(403)	(254)	(709)	(127)	(70)	(73)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	40%	36%	39%	45%	36%	44%	39%	41%	43%	49%	34%	37%	44%
Disagree	31%	38%	27%	31%	42%	32%	28%	31%	42%	30%	34%	30%	32%
Not sure	29%	26%	33%	24%	22%	24%	34%	28%	16%	20%	32%	34%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	99%	100%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(979)	(312)	(427)	(240)	(376)	(335)	(403)	(250)	(183)	(197)	(216)	(365)	(201)

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11. It isn't always a bad thing when people avoid publicly expressing views that may offend others

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	61%	59%	63%	48%	63%	60%	72%	64%	52%	46%	72%
Disagree	18%	23%	14%	18%	17%	20%	16%	18%	16%	24%	17%
Not sure	20%	18%	23%	34%	19%	20%	12%	18%	33%	30%	11%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(981)	(453)	(528)	(152)	(170)	(405)	(254)	(710)	(129)	(69)	(73)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	61%	74%	54%	59%	73%	55%	62%	63%	59%	62%	65%	55%	67%
Disagree	18%	10%	19%	27%	12%	29%	16%	19%	25%	24%	16%	18%	17%
Not sure	20%	16%	27%	14%	16%	17%	22%	18%	15%	13%	19%	27%	16%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(981)	(311)	(430)	(240)	(377)	(334)	(406)	(249)	(182)	(196)	(216)	(368)	(201)

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12. We should generally discourage people from expressing views that advocate removing the civil rights of others

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	54%	55%	53%	43%	54%	53%	65%	57%	47%	42%	61%
Disagree	26%	30%	23%	23%	26%	29%	26%	27%	26%	26%	23%
Not sure	20%	15%	24%	34%	20%	18%	9%	16%	28%	33%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(984)	(454)	(530)	(152)	(172)	(405)	(255)	(711)	(129)	(71)	(73)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	54%	71%	47%	47%	74%	46%	48%	56%	65%	57%	49%	50%	62%
Disagree	26%	18%	27%	36%	16%	39%	28%	24%	28%	31%	28%	23%	26%
Not sure	20%	11%	27%	16%	10%	15%	24%	19%	7%	12%	23%	26%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(984)	(312)	(432)	(240)	(378)	(335)	(407)	(250)	(183)	(196)	(218)	(369)	(201)

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Interviewing Dates	March 21 - 23, 2022
Target population	U.S. Citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2018 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2018 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, news interest, and 2020 Presidential vote (or non-vote). The weights range from 0.346 to 6.56, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.624.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.7% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	79 questions not reported.